

ELON MUSK “CENSORS” MATT TAIBBI’S POST ABOUT TWITTER “CENSORING” THE “HUNTER BIDEN” “LAPTOP” STORY

Back in October 2020, #MattyDickPics Taibbi wrote a post on his Substack about the great scandal that Twitter throttled the dodgy NYPost story.

The incredible decision by Twitter and Facebook to block access to a *New York Post* story about a cache of emails reportedly belonging to Democratic nominee Joe Biden’s son Hunter, with Twitter going so far as to lock the 200 year-old newspaper out of its own account for over a week, continues to be a major underreported scandal.

The hypocrisy is mind-boggling. Imagine the reaction if that same set of facts involved the *New York Times* and any of its multitudinous unverifiable “exposes” from the last half-decade: from the similarly-leaked “black ledger” story implicating Paul Manafort, to its later-debunked “repeated contacts with Russian intelligence” story, to its mountain of articles about the far more dubious Steele dossier.

[snip]

The flow of information in the United States has become so politicized – bottlenecked by an increasingly brazen union of corporate press and tech platforms – that it’s become impossible for American audiences to see news about certain topics absent thickets of

propagandistic contextualizing.

That makes the effect of Elon Musk's decision yesterday to block links to Substack (as well as WordPress, on which this site is built) all the more tragicomic.

Here's how that tragicomedy unfolded, in four five acts (note: Mehdi made the same joke I made yesterday at about the same time):

One:

"Well, that, then, is an error."
– @mtaibbi, confronted with previously unacknowledged mistakes in his Twitter Files reporting, by @mehdirhasan.

Watch the full conversation later tonight: <https://t.co/WI2GDlekQP>
pic.twitter.com/iYM1n7x0aN

– The Mehdi Hasan Show (@MehdiHasanShow)
April 6, 2023

Two:



Three:



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👁️ @ElonMusk (Account that mostly reposts old memes) is no longer following @mtaibbi

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Four:



Just days ago, as Mehdi Hasan shredded his false claims, #MattyDickPics squirmed as he explained that he had no criticism to make of authoritarian narcissist Elon Musk because he believed Musk intended to reverse what, #MattyDickPics claimed to believe, amounted to censorship from Twitter, including the throttling for 24-hours of one story from the NYPost.

Almost immediately after that, Elmo throttled not just #MattyDickPics' own posts about "Hunter Biden's" "laptop," but scores of other such posts as well.

Update, Five:



Elon Musk @elonmusk · 56m



Replying to @BretWeinstein

1. Substack links were never blocked. Matt's statement is false.

2. Substack was trying to download a massive portion of the Twitter database to bootstrap their Twitter clone, so their IP address is obviously untrusted.

3. Turns out Matt is/was an employee of Substack.